

SENATE RESOLUTION 261

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A RESOLUTION to recognize and commend Pastor Kevin L. Adams, Sr., for his honorable and astute service to the good people of Olivet Baptist Church in Chattanooga.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who have distinguished themselves as community and religious leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Pastor Kevin L. Adams, Sr., whose honorable and astute service to the good people of Olivet Baptist Church will be especially celebrated during Pastor Appreciation Day on September 28, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Adams has preached the Gospel for more than thirty years; and

WHEREAS, in January of 1992, Mr. Adams was called to pastor Olivet Baptist Church, where he initiated numerous ministries during his early tenure, including the Soul Winning Task Force, Singles Ministry, New Members' Class, Laymen, and Laying Bricks and revitalized the Matrons and Mothers' Board; and

WHEREAS, under Mr. Adams's exceptional tutelage and profound teaching, Olivet Baptist Church has witnessed the addition of thirty new ministries since 1994, as well as the establishment of a scholarship program, a GED program, and a Boy Scout ministry; and

WHEREAS, the flock at Olivet Baptist Church has grown from 300 members in 1998 to more than 5,000 members today; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Adams's clear and bold teachings have transformed lives locally, as well as impacted people across the nation; his messages are available through numerous video and audio series, including *What a Man Wants and a Woman Needs*, *On Eagles Wings*, *Purpose*, and *Worship*; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Kevin Adams epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, he is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Lady Cynthia Adams, and their children, Kevin Jr., and Alexis; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to honor and commend Pastor Kevin Adams for his dedication to the State of Tennessee, its citizens, and the good people of Chattanooga; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we acknowledge and applaud Pastor Kevin L. Adams, Sr., for his meritorious service as Pastor of Olivet Baptist Church, applaud his dedication to God and the ministry for the past thirty years, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.